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Dear Resident,

As the Commissioner of Public Works, I felt the need to inform you, the residents of West Hill Road, that today, I was asked by Mayor Vigeant to identify alternative "shovel-ready" projects within the City of Marlborough that could more immediately utilize the funding that has been allocated to the reconstruction of West Hill Road.

This directive came as a result of the informational meeting that was held this past Wednesday night at City Hall. Despite the predominately healthy dialogue between residents and the City Engineer's office, it also became apparent that there are still many concerns on the part of some residents of West Hill Road. These concerns caused the Mayor to take pause and reconsider the most effective use of current funding for proposed roadway projects. West Hill Road is an extremely expensive endeavor, to the tune of \$2.1 million dollars. Used elsewhere, those same funds could reconstruct 3-5 smaller roadways in as bad or worse condition than West Hill Road.

Because of the window we have for roadway construction is fast approaching, a decision needs to be made at an executive level as to whether the funds for West Hill Road should be reassigned to other projects. The attached letter from the Mayor is part of the City Council agenda for this coming Monday night's meeting.

If you have any questions or concerns about this development, please feel free to reach out to the City Engineer, Office of the Mayor or the Marlborough City Council.

Sincerely yours,

John L. Ghiloni  
Commissioner of Public Works

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March 3, 2016

City Council President Edward J. Clancy  
 Marlborough City Council  
 140 Main Street  
 Marlborough, MA 01752

**Re: West Hill Road Project**

Honorable President Clancy and Councilors:

In my capital bond request that the City Council approved earlier this year, I included \$2.1 million for the reconstruction of West Hill Road. As you are aware, West Hill Road residents and abutters have raised a number of concerns with the project over the past few months, most recently at a neighborhood meeting last night in City Hall.

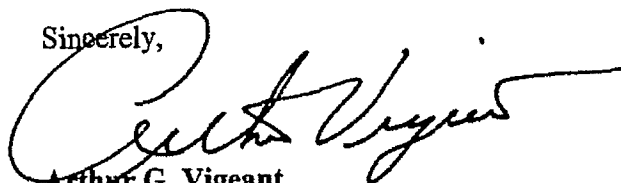
Like many streets in the City, West Hill Road is in need of reconstruction. While the Department of Public Works reviews the comments and concerns of the residents, I believe it is necessary to avoid any further delay in doing much-needed infrastructure projects on other streets across the City.

I have asked Commissioner of Public Works John Ghiloni and his staff to identify other street construction projects in the City that can be completed with the funds previously identified for West Hill Road and I will follow up with an update for the City Council.

Hopefully, prior to my next capital bond request, these issues will be resolved and we will be able to move forward with a project at West Hill Road.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me or Commissioner Ghiloni.

Sincerely,

  
 Arthur G. Vigeant  
 Mayor

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